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March 14, 2006

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Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire
Chief Clerk and Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

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RE: Notification of the Name Change of Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to
Embarq Communications, Inc.

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and fifteen (15) copies of a Notification of the Name Change in the above referenced matter together with a Certificate of Service on the Office of Regulatory Staff for filing.

Also enclosed is a proposed Notice of Filing for the Commission's consideration. We would appreciate your earliest attention to this matter.

I have included two extra copies which I would ask you to date stamp and return to me via my courier.

Thank you for your assistance, and please call me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Elliott & Elliott, P.A.

Scott Elliott

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Enclosures

c: All parties of record w/enc
Cheryl Sweitzer
H. Edward Phillips, Esquire

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA


In Re:)
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Notification of the Name Change)
of Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to)
Embarq Communications, Inc.)
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Docket No. _____

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Sprint Long Distance, Inc. (or "SLDI") respectfully notifies the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") of its name change from Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications, Inc. The name change will be undertaken in furtherance of SLDI's business plan to separate its identity from Sprint Nextel Corporation ("Sprint") to a stand-alone telecommunications company and to avoid confusion in SLDI's dealing with regulators, other government agencies, vendors and customers as further described below.

1. Sprint Long Distance, Inc. was incorporated February 23, 2005, under the laws of Delaware with its principal office located as follows:

 Sprint Long Distance, Inc.
6200 Sprint Parkway
Overland Park, KS 66251

2. SLDI was granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide intrastate telecommunications services between and among locations in the State of South Carolina as a non-facilities based interexchange service provider by Order No. 2005-689 dated December 8, 2005 in Docket No. 2005-238-C.

3. By motion approved in Docket No. 2005-407-C, March 7, 2006, at its agenda conference, the Commission granted SLDI a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide resold and facilities based competitive local exchange service in South Carolina.

4. SLDI was created and incorporated as a subsidiary of Sprint in anticipation of the merger of Sprint Corporation and Nextel Communications, Inc and the subsequent separation of Sprint's local business and payphone units. Further, SLDI's corporate parent, LTD Holding Company (as it was known in the original application seeking certification for SLDI) has changed its legal name to Embarq Corporation. LTD Holding Company was created as a separate entity by Sprint for the purpose of owning and operating SLDI as well as Sprint's local and payphone subsidiaries in South Carolina. While Sprint retains ownership of the wireless and long distance operations, most existing in territory Sprint long distance customers are being transferred to SLDI. The Commission approved the transfer of control of SLDI as well as the local and payphone subsidiaries by Order No. 2995-690 dated December 8, 2005 in Docket No. 2005-246-C.

5. SLDI has effected a corporate name change to that of Embarq Communications, Inc. and has so amended its corporate charter in the State of Delaware and further has amended its certificate of authority to transact business in South Carolina to reflect its name change (please see the Certificate of Amendment for the State of Delaware attached as exhibit A and the Certificate of Authorization issued by the South Carolina Secretary of State attached as exhibit B).

6. The name change is a part of SLDI's continuing effort to establish its separate identity from that of Sprint and in doing so, will help prevent confusion in SLDI's dealing with regulators, other government agencies and customers.

7. The name change to Embarq Communications, Inc. will have no impact on customers or service; customers will be provided notice of the name change via a bill message which is mailed directly to customers; and SLDI expects to begin using the new name on or after April 24, 2006.

8. SLDI respectfully submits that the public interest, convenience and necessity will be furthered by the name change.

9. Correspondence or communications regarding this notification should be addressed to:

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721 Olive Street
Columbia, SC 29205
803-771-0555 (P)
803-771-8010 (F)
selliott@elliottlaw.us

H. Edward Phillips, Esquire
Sprint
Mailstop: NCWKFR0313
14111 Capital Boulevard
Wake Forest, NC 27587-5900
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WHEREFORE Sprint Long Distance, Inc. respectfully prays that the Commission approve the name change of Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications, Inc. and for such other relief as is just and proper.



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EXHIBIT A

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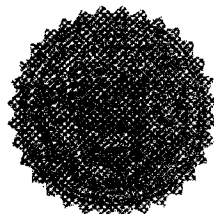
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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "SPRINT LONG DISTANCE, INC.", CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "SPRINT LONG DISTANCE, INC." TO "EMBARQ COMMUNICATIONS, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2006, AT 5:18 O'CLOCK P.M.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

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Harriet Smith Windsor

Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 4546152

DATE: 02-24-06

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

SPRINT LONG DISTANCE, INC.

It is hereby certified that:

1. The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the "corporation") is Sprint Long Distance, Inc.

2. The certificate of incorporation of the corporation is hereby amended by striking out Article FIRST, Name thereof and by substituting in lieu of said Article, the following new Article:

FIRST
Name

"The name of the corporation is Embarq Communications, Inc. (the "Corporation")."

3. The amendment of the certificate of incorporation herein certified has been duly adopted and written consent has been given in accordance with the provisions of Sections 228 and 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Signed on 23 day of February, 2006.

SPRINT LONG DISTANCE, INC.

By 

Name: Claudia Toussaint

Title: Vice President

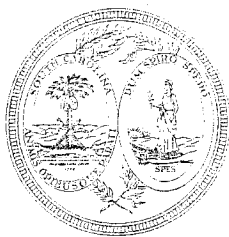
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Division of Corporations
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EXHIBIT B

The State of South Carolina



Office of Secretary of State Mark Hammond

Certificate of Authorization

I, Mark Hammond, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby certify that:

EMBARQ COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
a corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of **DELAWARE** and
issued a certificate of authority to transact business in South Carolina on **March
8th, 2005**, has on the date hereof filed all reports due this office, paid all fees,
taxes and penalties owed to the Secretary of State, that the Secretary of State
has not mailed notice to the Corporation that its authority to transact business in
South Carolina is subject to being revoked pursuant to Section 33-15-310 of the
1976 South Carolina Code, and no application for surrender of authority to do
business in South Carolina has been filed in this office as of the date hereof.

Given under my Hand and the Great
Seal of the State of South Carolina this
14th day of March, 2006.


Mark Hammond, Secretary of State

Note: This certificate does not contain any representation concerning fees or taxes owed by the Corporation to the South Carolina Tax Commission or whether the Corporation has filed the annual reports with the Tax Commission. If it is important to know whether the Corporation has paid all taxes due to the State of South Carolina, and has filed the annual reports, a certificate of compliance must be obtained from the Tax Commission.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2006- -C

Sprint Long Distance, Inc. ("SLDI") herewith notifies the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") of its name change from Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications, Inc. The name change will be undertaken in furtherance of SLDI's business plan to separate its identity from Sprint Communications L. P. to a stand-alone telecommunications company and to avoid confusion in SLDI's dealing with regulators, other government agencies, vendors and customers. Embarq will continue to provide telecommunications services in South Carolina. As the Name Change is completed, Embarq will file revised tariff sheets as appropriate in connection with the Name Change. These tariff changes will not revise the rates, terms or conditions of any services currently offered. The Name Change will have no impact on customers or services. The Name Change simply provides an outward reflection of Embarq's new simplified corporate organization. Customers will be provided notice of the Name Change via a bill message which is mailed directly to customers. The Company expects to begin using the new name on or after April 24, 2006.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Commission, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's web site at www.psc.sc.gov, and is available from SLDI South Carolina Counsel, Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, PA, 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina, in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **April 8, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. **Please refer to Docket No. 2006- -C.**

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, and Scott Elliott, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **April 8, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. **Please refer to Docket No. 2006- -C.**

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **April 8, 2006**. **Please refer to Docket No. 2006- -C.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803)896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Attn: Docketing Department
Post Office Drawer 11649
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P.A. does hereby certify that she has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them in the United States mail, by regular mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto and return address clearly marked on the date indicated below:

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PARTIES SERVED:

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PLEADING: Notification of the Name Change of Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications, Inc.

March 14, 2006



Marcia W. Walters